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CHAPTER 225

COMMISSION ON THE AGING

H. F. 647

AN ACT to create a commission on the aging of the state of Iowa and to provide for the powers, duties and authority thereof and to provide an appropriation therefor.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. There is hereby created the commission on the aging of the state of Iowa which shall consist of thirteen (13) members. Three (3) members shall be appointed by the president of the senate from the members of the senate with no more than two (2) members being appointed from the same political party. Three (3) members shall be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives from 6 the members of the house with no more than two (2) members being 8 appointed from the same political party. Seven members shall be ap-9 pointed by the governor.

All members of the commission shall be appointed for terms of four (4) years except the terms of the thirteen (13) initial appointees shall be as follows:

1. One (1) member appointed from the senate shall serve from the date of appointment to June 30, 1967, and two (2) members appointed from the senate shall serve from the date of appointment to June 30, 1969.

2. Two (2) members appointed from the house of representatives shall serve from the date of appointment to June 30, 1967, and one (1) member appointed from the house of representatives shall serve 10 from the date of appointment to June 30, 1969. 11

3. Three (3) members appointed by the governor shall serve from the date of appointment to June 30, 1967, and four (4) members appointed by the governor shall serve from the date of appointment to June 30, 1969.

The terms of office of all members shall thereafter commence on the first day of July following the convening of the general assembly. Any vacancy on the commission shall be filled for the unexpired term of the vacancy in the same manner as the original appointment. A vacancy shall exist on the commission whenever a legislative member ceases to be a member of the general assembly.

- SEC. 3. Members of the commission shall meet within thirty (30) days after their appointment to select from the commission's member-3 ship a chairman, and such other officers as commission members deem 4 necessary, who shall serve for a period of two (2) years. The commission shall elect a new chairman every two (2) years thereafter. The 5 commission shall meet at regular intervals at least four (4) times each year and may hold special meetings at the call of the chairman or at the request of a majority of the commission membership. The commis-8 sion shall meet at the seat of government or such other place as the commission members may so designate. 10
- SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of the commission to: 1 $\mathbf{2}$ 1. Collect facts and statistics and make special studies of conditions

and problems pertaining to the employment, health, financial status, recreation, social adjustment or other conditions and problems pertaining to the general welfare of the aging of the state.

2. To make recommendations to state and local agencies serving the aging for purposes of coordinating such agencies' activities, and to request and receive reports from the various state agencies and institutions on matters within the jurisdiction of the commission.

3. Keep informed of the latest developments of research, studies. and programs being conducted throughout the nation on the problems and needs of the aging.

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4. Serve as a central agency and/or advisory board for the mutual exchange of ideas and information on the aging between federal, state and local governmental agencies, private organizations, and individuals.

5. Cooperate with agencies, federal, state and local, or private organizations, in administering and supervising demonstration programs of services for aging designed to foster continued participation of older people in family and community life and prevent insofar as possible the onset of dependency and the need for long-term institutional

6. Report and make recommendations to the general assembly on the activities of the commission and improvements and additional resources needed to promote the general welfare of the aging in Iowa.

The commission shall have the power to create subcommittees to undertake such special studies as commission members shall authorize and may include noncommission members who are qualified in any field of activity related to the general welfare of the aging in the membership of such subcommittees.

- The commission shall appoint an executive secretary subject to the state merit system and shall prescribe the duties, powers, and authority of the appointee. The executive secretary shall serve 3 as an executive officer and shall be a full-time employee of the commis-4 5 sion.
- 1 The members of the commission, and noncommission members serving on commission subcommittees, shall receive no compensation for their services other than reimbursement for traveling and other expenses actually incurred in the performance of their official 4 duties. Commission expenses including the salary of the executive 5 secretary and any office expenses shall be paid from funds made avail-6 able to the commission by the general assembly. 7
- The commission may receive federal funds or any grants 1 and gifts on behalf of the state for such purposes as are within the 3 jurisdiction of the commission. All federal funds, grants and gifts shall be deposited with the state treasurer and shall be used only for 4 such purposes agreed upon as conditions for receiving the funds, 5 6 grants and gifts.
- 1 There is hereby appropriated from the general fund of the state of Iowa the sum of twenty-five thousand (25,000) dollars for 2

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each year of the ensuing biennium for the purposes specified in this 4 chapter.

Approved June 2, 1965.

CHAPTER 226

EDUCATIONAL STANDARDS

S. F. 553

AN ACT relating to educational standards and the responsibilities of the state board of public instruction and the state superintendent of public instruction.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Subsection thirteen (13) of section two hundred fifty-2 seven point eighteen (257.18), Code 1962, is hereby repealed.

Chapter two hundred fifty-seven (257), Code 1962, is

hereby amended by adding thereto the following new section:

3 "In addition to the responsibilities of the state board of public 4 instruction and the state superintendent of public instruction under other provisions of the Code, the state board of public instruction shall establish standards, regulations, and rules for the approval of all public, parochial, and private nursery, kindergarten, elementary, junior high, and high schools and all area vocational schools, area community colleges, and public community or junior colleges in Iowa. 10 With respect to area or public community or junior colleges, such 11 standards, regulations, and rules shall be established by the state 12 board of public instruction and the state board of regents, acting 13 jointly. Such approval standards, regulations, and rules shall prescribe and implement the minimum curriculum described below. 14

15 "1. Nursery school activities shall be designed to help children use 16 and manage their bodies, extend their interests and understanding of 17 the world about them, work and play with others and to express 18 themselves.

"2. Kindergarten programs shall include experiences designed to develop emotional and social living, protection and development of physical being, growth in expression, and language arts and com-

munication readiness. 22

"3. The following areas shall be taught in the elementary school, grades one (1) through six (6): language arts, including reading, handwriting, spelling, oral and written English, and literature; social studies, including geography, history of the United States and Iowa, cultures of other peoples and nations, and American citizenship, including the elementary study of national, state, and local government in the United States; mathematics; science, including conservation of natural resources; health and physical education, including the effects of alcohol, narcotics, and poisons on the human body; music; art.

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"4. The following shall be taught in grades seven (7) and eight